

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO.: 2381-04  
BILL NO.: HCS For HB 1073  
SUBJECT: Teachers: Professional Licenses  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: February 22, 2000

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue	(\$51,194) TO LESS THAN \$100,000	(\$54,628) TO LESS THAN \$100,000	(\$56,056) TO LESS THAN \$100,000
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(\$51,194) TO LESS THAN \$100,000</b>	<b>(\$54,628) TO LESS THAN \$100,000</b>	<b>(\$56,056) TO LESS THAN \$100,000</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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**ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety** assume the proposal would result in no fiscal impact to the agency.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume the proposal would result in zero to minimal fiscal impact to DOC. They assume potential costs could be absorbed by DOC.

Officials from the **Office of the Attorney General (AGO)** assume that additional cases would be filed because all school districts would be able to refer cases pursuant to Section 168.071, RSMo. Therefore, the AGO projects a need for one Assistant Attorney General I (\$31,500) to handle the additional caseload.

**Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** officials assume there would be some cost savings by allowing for informal resolution of cases or other matters involving certificate holders by consent agreement, agreed settlement, or voluntary surrender of the certificate of license to teach. It is anticipated that costs associated with hearings would be reduced by some amount through the reduction in the number of hearings that occur during the course of a year.

DESE officials assume the total savings would be less than \$100,000 annually.

DESE officials assume the proposal would result in no fiscal impact to local public school districts.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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**GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

Savings-Department of Elementary and  
Secondary Education (DESE)

Hearings	<b>LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b>LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b>LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>
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Cost-Office of the Attorney General

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
Personal Service (1 FTE)	(\$26,250)	(\$32,288)	(\$33,095)
Fringe Benefits	(\$8,072)	(\$9,928)	(\$10,177)
Expense and Equipment	<u>(\$16,872)</u>	<u>(\$12,412)</u>	<u>(\$12,784)</u>
Total <u>Cost</u> -AGO	(\$51,194)	(\$54,628)	(\$56,056)

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b>(\$51,194) TO LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b>(\$54,628) TO LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b>(\$56,056) TO LESS THAN <u>\$100,000</u></b>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

The Attorney General could file charges regarding a teaching license for any charge other than one where the sole allegation is the annulment of a written contract.

The State Board of Education would notify a certificate holder that the teaching license was revoked or not issued by certified mail, or if certified mail is unsuccessful by first class mail, to the last known address of the certificate holder.

Contested cases and other matters involving certificate holders, licenses or applicants could be informally resolved by consent agreement, agreed settlement or voluntary surrender of the certificate or license.

If an employee or school board member has direct knowledge that a certificate holder has committed certain offenses, that employee or board member is required to report the act superintendent and law enforcement officer. Failure to report this information would result in a class A misdemeanor.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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Jeanne Jarrett, CPA  
Director  
February 22, 2000